

XA-10000 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND

MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 12, 2006, Applicants offer the accompanying Remarks.

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